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The above identified U.S. Patent was the subject of both a reissue examination filed January 18, 2000, and a reexamination proceeding filed April 24, 2000. These proceedings have been merged pursuant to a Decision, Sua Sponte, To Merge Reexamination And Reissue Proceedings dated November 28, 2000.

The Patentee hereby files this amendment to the claims under reexamination.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims in the reexamination to conform to the claims in the reissue as follows:

Please cancel claims 1-3 and claim 10. ✓

Please amend claim 4 to read: ✓